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STATE WIDE STIMULUS SUMMIT 101

Charleston, SC. Mayor Joseph P. Riley, Jr., Mayor Bob Coble, Columbia and other state and municipal officials are convening a stimulus summit for the towns and cities of South Carolina. Representatives of state and federal agencies responsible for distributing stimulus funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act to local governments will be the featured speakers at a Stimulus 101 Summit in Columbia on Friday, April 17 at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center. The summit will run from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

The Summit is intended to help local government leaders in communities of all sizes around the state get a better understanding of the type of funding available and the process for accessing the funds. Although some larger communities are eligible for some of the funds based on population and capacity, there are also many competitive grants available to large and small communities and through regional collaborations. Participants will get a broad overview of funding sources, timelines and project criteria to better understand how to navigate the opportunities for funding and regional collaboration within the ARRA.

While the Summit is geared toward addressing the programs in the Act that directly fund local governments, the event is open to the public.

Federal and state agency speakers are being confirmed daily. Visit http://www.masc.sc/stimulussummit.htm for the most up-to-date agenda. There is no cost to attend, but registration by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, April 15, is required. To register, call 803.545.3075 or visit http://www.masc.sc/stimulussummit.htm to download a fax registration form or register online.

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